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DECODING APPARATUS, RECORDING MEDIUM AND IMAGE RECORDING

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## **AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated October 19, 2007, finally rejecting claims 10, 13, 15-18 and 25-29, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.